

# TOWN OF HERNDON

*Enriching the Quality of Life and Promoting a Sense of Community*



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*Photo Caption: 2010-2012 Herndon Town Council. (L-R: Mayor Steve J. DeBenedittis, Councilmembers Lisa C. Merkel, Grace H. Wolf, Jasbinder Singh, Connie Haines Hutchinson, William B. Tirrell, Sheila A. Olem)*

### **2010-2012 MAYOR, TOWN COUNCIL SWORN INTO OFFICE**

Herndon, VA (June 29, 2010) – Pledging to work tirelessly with his colleagues on the Herndon Town Council as well as with citizens on the “many challenges and opportunities ahead of us,” Herndon Mayor Steve J. DeBenedittis was sworn in this evening for a third term.

John T. Frey, clerk of the Circuit Court of Fairfax County, administered the oath of office to Mayor DeBenedittis and to members of the 2010-2012 Herndon Town Council: Connie Haines Hutchinson, Lisa Carol Leach Merkel, Sheila Anne Milstead Olem, Jasbinder Singh, William B. Tirrell and Grace Han Wolf.

In his remarks to the standing-room-only crowd of citizens, business owners and well-wishers assembled at the Herndon Municipal Center for the swearing-in ceremony, DeBenedittis recognized the “historic” make-up of the incoming council, to include a first-ever female majority. He added that the new council “has much in common with the outgoing and past councils, in that it is a group of people deeply committed to Herndon and its future.”

The 2010-2012 Herndon Town Council assumes office on July 1, 2010. The new council’s first work session will be held July 6 and its first public hearing is July 13. Both meetings begin at 7p.m. and will be held in the Mary Ingram Council Chambers, 765 Lynn Street, Herndon. Agendas and legal notices related to upcoming public hearings are available on the “Government” tab of the town’s Web site, [www.herndon-va.gov](http://www.herndon-va.gov). Additionally, all public hearings are cablecast live on HCTV, channel 23 (Cox) and channel 42 (Verizon FIOS).

The Town of Herndon was incorporated by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia on January 14, 1879. Located in western Fairfax County, Herndon is the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest town in the Commonwealth and is home to more than 23,000 citizens. Businesses located within the Town of Herndon, which range from high tech enterprises to entrepreneurially-owned establishments, employ approximately 25,000 people. *Business Week* Magazine has named

Herndon one of the nation's "Best Affordable Suburbs," and *Money* Magazine has ranked Herndon among its "Best Places for the Rich and Single."

For more information, visit the town's Web site at [www.herndon-va.gov](http://www.herndon-va.gov).

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